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REMARKS

The Amendment amends claims 1, 24, 25, 26, 27-31, 39, 46, and 48. Claims 1-19, 24-39, 46, and 48 are currently pending.

The undersigned thanks the Examiner for the courtesy of a telephone conference on August 29, 2005, in which the undersigned and the Examiner discussed a claim limitation that will likely be pursued in a continuation application rather than in this application.

The Action indicated allowable subject matter in claims 25-30. Specifically, the Action indicated that what was allowable was a method that provides "cuttings and/or extensions in at least one edge of the given fabric ply." Action at page 9, paragraph 6. In response, the amendment amends all of the pending claims to contain the limitation, now believed to be allowable, that "one or more fabric strips ...have cuttings on one at least one lateral edge thereof" See independent claims 1, 46, and 48, which are the only pending independent claims- all of which now contain the "cuttings" limitation.

The Amendment amends other claims to address minor grammatical and dependency issues.

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For the above reasons, Applicant respectfully believes that all of the pending claims are allowable over the prior art. Reconsideration and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference, telephonically, or in person, would advance the prosecution of this application, please contact the undersigned to arrange such a conference.

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